

EAST PALESTINE VILLAGE COUNCIL 9/11/17 85 N MARKET ST. 7PM

Mayor Zuch called the meeting to order. Present was Mr. Cohen, Mr. Elzer, Mr. Todd, Mr. Tyger, Mr. Walker and Mr. Yokley. Also present was Village Manager Pete Monteleone, Law Director Dave Powers, Finance Director Traci Thompson and Clerk Misti Martin. The minutes of the August 28 meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Walker seconded by Mr. Cohen. The Department Reports for August 2017 were approved on a motion by Mr. Cohen, seconded by Mr. Walker. All in favor. There were no Agenda items, Clerks or Mayors Reports.

MANAGERS REPORT: Manager Monteleone stated the sealing on Garfield Ave. was completed and looks good, now we wait and see how it wears throughout the winter.

LAW DIRECTOR: Atty. Powers stated Mr. Elzer requested legislation requiring businesses report when they come into town. He stated he gave him a copy of legislation passed recently in Mantua Ohio and that he has been doing research through RITA. Mr. Elzer requested a Development Committee meeting at 6:30 prior to the next regular meeting on 9/25 to review the business legislation.

STREET: Mr. Walker thanked the residents of Garfield Ave for their patience during the road sealant project.

SAFETY/PARK/REC/CEM: Mr. Cohen stated former Mayor Jim Lynch attended the last Park Board meeting with a proposal in reference to the Little League field at the Park. Mr. Lynch was at tonight's meeting and Mr. Cohen asked him to speak in reference to his proposal. Mr. Lynch stated began by stating baseball was very big in EP in the 50s and 60s and that our park eventually ran out of diamonds to play at. He stated George MckInstry got the Little League program started but they had nowhere to play, so a meeting was held at the park at which time Mr. Tony Ferris stood up and said he had an idea. Mr. Lynch gave a brief history of Mr. Ferris stating he opened his business of deep coal mining in 1933 and served in WWI in 332 Infantry Unity, he married Anna Ferris and they had five children together. He said Mr. Ferris volunteered to put in the field known as the Little League field. He put the field in using his own men, labor and equipment with no cost to the Village. Mr. Lynch would like to have Mr. Ferris recognized for his contribution to the park by having the field renamed the Tony Ferris Little League Field. Mr. Cohen stated that Mr. Lynch would like council to pass a resolution (Mr. Cohen requested the Law Director have the resolution for the next meeting) renaming the field to which Manager Monteleone stated he would get signage for the field. Mr. Elzer said he likes the idea.

DEVELOPMENT: Mr. Elzer recognized Finance Director Traci Thompson for her work on a clean audit this year. He stated the Rotary Community Yard Sale is Saturday Sept. 23. Mr. Cohen stated also on Sept. 23 after the Yard Sale was the Family, Fun, and Food Truck event at the Park from 4 to 8.

UTILITY: NO REPORT

FINANCE: NO REPORT

THERE WERE NO VISITORS COMMENTS ON CURRENT LEGISLATION However Mr. Todd stated he would like to see a correction in the newspaper in regards to last meeting and salary of the new police chief. The article stated the new chief would be making \$572 less than the current chief when in reality it is a \$1717.00 increase.

VISITORS: John & Dot Herbert, Dan Scott, Jim & Mary Lynch, Chief Josh Brown, Dianna Elzer, Chief Kevin Dickey, John Davis, Charlsi Lehman, Katie White.

LEGISLATION: Mr. Yokley introduced Ord. 23-2017 for a third reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance declaring certain village property unneeded, obsolete, or unfit for municipal purposes and authorizing the sale of such property.**

Mr. Yokley called for a vote on Ord. 23-2017. Mr. Cohen-y, Mr. Elzer-y, Mr. Todd-y, Mr. Tyger-y, Mr. Walker-y, Mr. Yokley-y. 6 yes to pass. Mr. Yokley introduced Ord. 24-2017 for a second reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance setting the salary for the position of police chief for the municipality of East Palestine Ohio.** At this time Manager Monteleone stated negotiations for both unions will be soon, he stated he normally has two council members who negotiate with him. Mr. Cohen and Mr. Tyger volunteered.

ADJOURN: Mr. Elzer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Cohen. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

MISTI J. MARTIN CLERK

MAYOR MARGO ZUCH